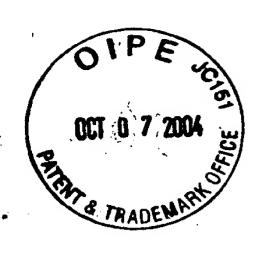
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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 09/834 290

Filing Date: April 12, 2001

Title: HIGH-MINERAL OYSTER EXTRACT AND

A PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Inventors: (1) Satoshi TAFU and (2) Yoshikazu MATSUDA

Group: 1761 Examiner: Corbin

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- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114
  - a. i. [] An amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_ was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
    - ii. [X] A Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 previously filed on <u>August 6, 2004</u> was not entered. Please enter the Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132.
  - b. [X] Enclosed is/are:

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- ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. [X] Acknowledgment Post Card
- v. [X] Letter to Patent Office.
- 2. Miscellaneous
  - a. [] Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.
    - [] Statement(s) re small entity is/are enclosed.
  - b. []
- 3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed).
  - a. [X] The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

	No.	No.	(X)	RATE	()	
For	Filed	Extra	LG Entity		SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee			\$790.00		\$395.00	\$790.00
Total Claims	(8 - 20	0 = 0	x \$ 18.00		x \$ 9.00	
Indep. Claims	(6 - 6	5 = 0)	x \$ 88.00		x \$ 44.00	
[ ] Multiple D	ep. Claim	n	+ \$300.00		+ \$150.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 790.00

- b. [X] Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by three months. The extension fee is:
  - [X] \$980.00 110.00 paid August 6, 2004 = \$870.00 (37 C.F.R. \$1.17)
  - [] \$ (37 C.F.R. §1.17; small entity status established by verified statement(s) submitted previously).
- d. [X] A check for \$1,660.00 is enclosed to cover fees.

- e. [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- f. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The undersigned is: [X] an attorney of record

[] acting under 37 C.F.R. §1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted,

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

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